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NEWS RELEASE

City of Falls Church Residents Recycle

20+ Tons of Waste Collected at Recycling Extravaganza and Drug Take-Back Day

This spring's Recycling Extravaganza event was a great success, with over 500 vehicles coming through to offload items. Thank you to all who participated in the April 27 event, by choosing to recycle materials, less waste will end up in the landfill. The total weight of items collected this year was:

- 28,400 pounds of electronic goods
- 11,400 pounds of documents shredded
- 1,500 pounds of clothing and fabric
- 50 pounds of batteries
- 58 bikes
- Over 200 pairs of eyeglasses
- Numerous medical supplies

The Department of Public Works is proud to partner with E-Asset Solutions, Bikes for the World, TrueShred, The Clothing Recycling Company, The Lions Club, and the Virginia Medical Brigade in staging two recycling collection events each year. The events encourage responsible disposal options, help families in need, and save natural resources.

In addition to the Extravaganza, the City hosted another recycling effort in the form of Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, also held on April 27. Over 192 pounds of unwanted or expired medication were turned over to the City of Falls Church Police Department, who hosted the event along with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. This anonymous, no-questions-asked take-back event helps prevent drug abuse and improper disposal into the environment. With the assistance of the Falls Church Sheriffs Office and the H.E.A.T. Program, the Police Department also VIN etched 19 cars and registered over a dozen bicycles at this event.

The next Recycling Extravaganza will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2013. Please mark your calendar and make plan to participate in this fall's event.

Related Links:

- <http://bit.ly/10BT7S4>: "Pallets fill up with electronics donated for recycling at the City of Falls Church Recycling Extravaganza."
- <http://bit.ly/10j9vYL>: "A truck awaits documents for onsite shredding at the City of Falls Church Recycling Extravaganza."
- <http://bit.ly/12JZy7m>: "Volunteers unload items from some of the 500 vehicles that came through the City of Falls Church Recycling Extravaganza."

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